

Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Giffords wherein she notified the House that she had submitted a letter to the Governor of Arizona stating her intention to resign as the representative for the Eighth Congressional District of Arizona, effective at the end of January 25, 2012.

Pages H170–71

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H166–67 and H169. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a markup on the following: H.R. 1840, to improve consideration by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission of the costs and benefits of its regulations and orders; H.R. 2682, the “Business Mitigation and Price Stabilization Act of 2011”; H.R. 2779, to exempt inter-affiliate swaps from certain regulatory requirements put in place by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; H.R. 2586, the “Swap Execution Facility (SEF) Clarification Act”; H.R. 3336, the “Small Business Credit Availability Act”; H.R. 3527, the “Protecting Main Street End-Users from Excessive Regulation”. H.R. 1840 was ordered reported without amendment. The following were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2682, H.R. 2779, H.R. 2586, H.R. 3336 and H.R. 3527.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held hearing entitled “American Jobs Now: A Legislative Hearing on H.R. 3548, the “North American Energy Access Act”. Testimony was heard from Kerri-Ann Jones, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environment and Scientific Affairs, Department of State; and Jeffrey C. Wright, Director, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs held a hearing on the following: H.R. 2467, the “Bridgeport Indian Colony Land Trust, Health, and Economic Development Act of 2011”; and S. 292, the “Salmon Lake Land Selection Resolution Act”. Testimony was heard from Representative McKeon; Michael Smith, Deputy Bureau Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs; John

Glazer, Bridgeport Indian Colony, California; and public witness.

VOLT VEHICLE FIRE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending held a hearing entitled “Volt Vehicle Fire: What did NHTSA Know and When Did They Know It?” Testimony was heard from David L. Strickland, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL PENSION SYSTEM

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy held a hearing entitled “Retirement Readiness: Strengthening the Federal Pension System.” Testimony was heard from Representatives Coble, Coffman, Dold, Griffin, Nugent and Schilling. Testimony was also heard from Charles “Chuck” Grimes, Chief Operating Officer, Office of Personnel Management; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

KAZAKHSTAN

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Kazakhstan, focusing on the stability of their government, after receiving testimony from William Courtney, former United States Ambassador to Kazakhstan and Georgia, Department of State, Sean Roberts, George Washington University Elliott School for International Affairs, and Susan Corke, Freedom House, all of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2012

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the outlook for the United States and global economy, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine compliance with tax limits on mutual fund commodity speculation, 10:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1925, to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and the nominations of Paul J. Watford, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Dennis J. Erby, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Mississippi, Department of